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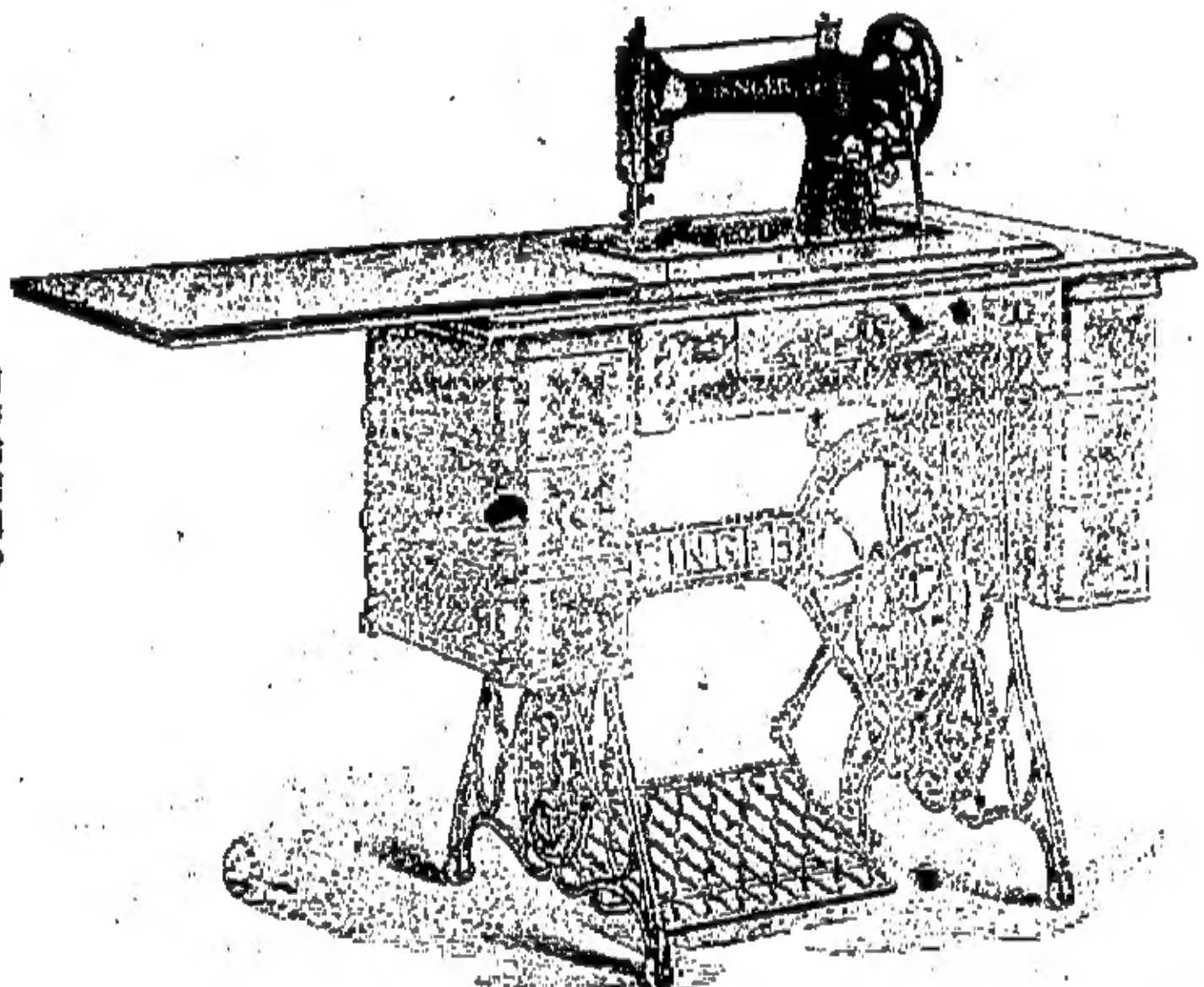
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Amusements.
9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.


MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
Meeting.
6 p.m.—Meeting of Zuthland Lodge.

Miscellaneous.
2.15 p.m.—Competition for Long Range Cup and Spoons, &c., of the Hongkong Rifle Association.

General Memoranda.
MONDAY, December 29:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China-Borneo Co., Ltd., at the Company's Registered Office.
5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Eichen Mark Lodge.

TUESDAY, December 30:—
Grade per *Indra* not cleared at Noon on this date subject to rent.
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Ltd., at Company's Registered Office.
6 p.m.—Meeting of Lodge Eichen Scotia, Kowloon, 923 S.C., at Masonic Hall.

WEDNESDAY, January 31:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The National Bank of China, Ltd., at the Bank's Premises.



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BIRTHS.
Kuala Lumpur, the wife of F. O. Clerk, of Works, Federal, of a
tor.
Singapore, on Thursday, 11th Decem-
Mrs Percy L. Ward, of a Son.

MARRIAGES.
On the 17th Dec., at St Andrew's
edral, Singapore, by the Right Rev. the
op of Singapore and Sarawak, assisted
the Venble. Archdeacon Dunkley,
Mun Hengay, eldest son of the late
sister legally, Whitchy, Yorkshire, to
STEWART, younger daughter of John
er, Inverard, Crianlichy, Perthshire,
of Singapore.

the Presbyterian Church, Singapore,
December 16th, by the Rev. S. S.
Rev. M.A., James T. Doust, of the
an Observer, Bangkok, son of James
bio, Schoolmaster of Ayr, Scotland, to
JAS, daughter of Mrs Henderson, of
Springburn Road, Glasgow.

DEATH.
On the 10th December, at 153 Serangoon
ard, Singapore, MARIA LOUISA, the be-
wed wife of Mr E. B. Kraal; aged 59
years.

Advertisement of this issue commencing at
1.00 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1902.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

We have no desire to
ARTIFICIAL FEVER be considered alarmist
IN HONGKONG, but the presence of
enteric fever in the
Colony suggests more searching enquiry
by the sanitary authorities into the
possible contamination of the water
supply. The danger of contamination
at Pokfulam has been pointed out upon
several occasions, and we are astonished
attention has not been directed to the
filter beds and service reservoir at
Bowen Road. Whatever may have
been the case years ago, we think
it will be admitted that the presence of
so many houses on the hillside, and the
facilities afforded for contamination
must affect the condition of the water
supply just before it passes into us
and not even the reassuring analyses
the Government Analyst will convince
some residents that Pokfulam and the
Bowen Road service reservoirs are new
mediums for the dissemination of
typhoid. Below the Peak Tram Sta-
tion and above the service reservoir
there are some coolie-houses, and
anyone who has walked along the Pea-
Road must have noticed the stenches
that emanate from this locality. And
the authorities are sure that all the filth
surface and sillage water from the
Peak District is carried off in drains
and that no disease germs are likely
be borne by the air into the reservoir
below? We have not referred to Mr
Osbert Chadwick's last report on
water supply, but our recollection
that he called attention to both
sources of possible contamination men-
tioned by us. Whether enteric fe-
lingers in the Colony or not, is it
the duty of the sanitary authorities—
the Sanitary Board—to enquire into
this matter?

Mortality in the French Army.
General Andre, the French Minister
for War, speaking in the Senate recently
admitted that since the Treaty of Fran-
furt, in 1871, the deaths from disease in
French Army numbered 99,000, against
only 13,000 in the German. The mortality
of the French Army was 21.4 per thou-
sand per year, while the average mortality
of the German Army was only 7.3
thousand per annum. The deaths which
occurred in the French Army were chiefly
from typhoid and consumption.

Band at King Edward Hotel.
By kind permission of Col. Bird-
and Officers, the Band of the 10th Bom-
b Light Infantry will play the following
selections of music at the above Hotel to-
day, Friday, from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m. to-
day, Friday, the 26th inst.:—
March—'The Scotch Breeze' J. Arbue
Valse—'Sonair D'Avril'..... Dap.
Selection—'Sun Toy'..... S. Joe
Valse—'Shop Girl'..... Bural
Barn Dance—'Easton Belle'..... Goffr
Valse—'Vendian Song'..... Bural
"GOD SAVE THE KING".

Christmas Concert at Civil Hospital.
Christmas was celebrated at the Civil
Government Civil Hospital yesterday after-
noon by holding a concert in one of the
large wards. The programme included
pianoforte duets by Misses Eyre and Pitt,
and Messrs Grimbale and Ward, songs
Mrs Baddeley, Mrs Mullie, Mr G. B. Bil-
and Mr C. H. P. Hay and sleight of hand
exhibitions by Mr L. H. Branson, of the
10th Bombay Light Infantry. After the
concert, the annual Christmas tree was
dismantled, and presents presented to the
patients by Lady Blake.

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his hand cut or his shoulder sprained. His
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.
Foot-and-mouth disease is prevalent among the cattle in Ceylon and Selangor.

Last week Mr. H. E. Burgess of Bukit Gantang, in Perak, shot a panther which measured 6 feet 10 inches.

The amount voted for Public Works in 1901 was £1,543,679, and the amount actually expended \$791,355.

Lieut-Colonel Lawson beat all previous records for the golf links at Singapore by holing out in 77, made up of 39 and 38.

The King has approved the appointment of the Hon. R. C. Shevan as an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council, in succession to Mr T. H. Whitehead.

The death rate in the Colony for the month of November was 18.6. For the British and Foreign Civil Community it was 26.7 per 1000, two deaths being due to typhoid fever.

Mr Chamberlain's fads and fancies have all been thrashed except one, and that is the only form of exercise to which he has not as yet taken to himself. He is an expert swimmer.

Fire at Yaumati.
Several matchless were destroyed by fire at Yaumati early this morning.

Next Mail from Home.
The N. Y. K. steamer *Saruki Maru* is bringing on the French mail from Colombo.

Cargo Boat Destroyed.
No. 251 cargo boat was destroyed by fire last night. She was loaded with 40 bales of hemp, worth \$20,000, and although the fire involved a loss of \$21,600.

Rugby Football.
The Rugby football match at Happy Valley yesterday between the Hongkong F.C. and a team from the *Gothic* resulted in a hollow victory for the Club, who scored almost as they liked.

Cricket.
The Craigiegowan Cricket Club at the Kowloon Depot Cricket Club will play a match on Saturday, commencing at 2 p.m. on the former Club's ground. The following will represent the Craigiegowan team:—
M. E. Asger, A. O. Brown, I. P. Jordr, R. Bagn, L. A. Rose, J. Stuart, J. Kinnaird, R. Pestoni, L. E. Lammert, E. Asger and M. H. Hartman.

Janet Waldorf Co.
The Janet Waldorf Co. returned from Canton early on Christmas morning at a most successful trip. To-night the will resume their season here in the farce comedy *Turned Up* which has been selected as a special holiday attraction. The comedy has formed a strong bright repertoire of many leading comedy companies and it possesses the merit of being boisterously funny without importing objectionable elements. A strong farce programme is advertised for the last nights of the company.

Music at Hongkong Hotel.
By kind permission of Lt.-Col. B. Wood and Officers, the Band of the 1st Borneo Light Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow evening, from 8 to 9.30 p.m.:—
March....."Iron Foe".....P. J. Valde
Valse....."Gondoliers".....Buccal
Selection....."Gee".....S. J. Valde
Valse....."Shop Girl".....Buccal
Lancers....."A Runaway Girl".....W. Will
Valse....."Waves of the Danube".....A. P. J. Valde

God Save the King.

Home Football.
The following are the latest results handed by the Gorman mails:—
ENGLISH LEAGUE.
At West Bromwich, West Bromwich Albion (4) beat Blackburn Rovers (3).
At Derby, Derby County (2) beat Liverpool (1).
At Nottingham, Notts County (1) beat Bury (0).
At Sheffield, Sheffield Wednesday beat Southampton (1).
At Wolverhampton, Sheffield United beat Wanderers (1).
At Everton, Stoke (1) beat Everton (1).
At Newcastle, Newcastle United (1) beat Grimsby Town (1).
At Middlesbrough, Aston Villa (2) beat Middlesbrough (1).
At Bolton, North Forest and Bolton Wanderers drew—1 all.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.
At Glasgow, Celtic (3) beat Port Glasgow Athletic (0).
At Greenock, Dundee (2) beat Greenock Morton (0).
At Kilmarnock, Heart of Midlothian beat Kilmarnock (1).
At Partick, Partick Thistle (4) beat Queen's Park (2).
At Paisley, Glasgow Rangers (1) beat St Mirren (0).
At Edinburgh, Hibernians (1) beat Thistle Athletic (0).

RUGBY.
Richmond (6 points) beat Blackheath (0).
London Welsh and London Irish drew—Newport (3) beat Cardiff (0).
Devonport Albion (2) beat Swansea (0).
Glasgow University and Watsonians drew—no score.
Glasgow Academicals (8) beat Partick Thistle (0).

Page and vanity resemble each other closely, as the mushroom and toadstool. And they are quite as opposite in the effects. One builds up and strengthens; the other tears down and destroys; one is wholesome, and the other poisonous.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

A ROYAL SENATION.
LONDON, December 23, 1902.
A sensation has been caused in Dresden following to the official announcement of the presence, eight days, on the night of the 11th instant, of the Crown Princess of Saxony, in a morbid state of mental excitement. She is supposed to have gone to Geneva, and that her flight is due to family differences.

OBITUARY.
The death of the Dean of Winchester, from typhoid fever, is announced.

VENEZUELA.
The *Trinidad Gazette* contains an official announcement of the declaration of war against Venezuela. This is a formality intended to legalize the blockade.

THE ANDIJAN EARTHQUAKE.
TOKYO, December 24, 1902.
H. M. the Tsar has given a first subscription of fifty thousand roubles to the relief fund in aid of the sufferers by the Andijan earthquake.

OBITUARY.
The Archbishop of Canterbury is dead.

THE CROWN PRINCESS OF SAXONY.
The Crown Princess of Saxony eloped with her children's French tutor, with whom she is now staying at an hotel at Geneva.

THE VENEZUELAN BLOCKADE.
The Italian cruiser *Gianni Bazzani* has captured five more Venezuelan schooners, and the German *Peuther* two.
The effects of the blockade are beginning to be felt. It is estimated that only a fortnight's food remains at Caracas. The British ship *Pantone* has been refloated.

THE ARREST OF R. P. MOFFITT.
The following paragraph appears in the *Oregonian* (Portland) of the 21st November:—
Robert Percy Moffitt, lately of Hongkong, China, had a narrow escape from being arrested Wednesday afternoon, at the Union Terminal Depot, as he and his wife passed through here on a train en route for Seattle. He is wanted to answer a charge of having embezzled \$2075 from the Dairy Farm Company, of Hongkong, where he was employed as secretary of the company. He and Mrs Moffitt, traveling under the name of Mr and Mrs J. Ferry, arrived in a steamer from the Orient, at San Francisco, at the early part of this week, and he was promptly arrested on receipt of telegraphic instructions from the Orient by the British Consul at San Francisco, but obtained his release through a writ of habeas corpus, on the ground that he had been illegally arrested. Then he and his wife disappeared for the time being, and boarded a drawing-room car attached to a train going to this city. The train had hardly reached Portland, when James Laidlaw, the British Consul at this port, got a dispatch from the British Consul at San Francisco asking him to take means to have Moffitt arrested. Mr Laidlaw secured the services of Detectives Day and Weiner, and the latter ran to the depot, but the train had pulled out a few minutes before. However, the Seattle police were communicated with over the long-distance telephone, and when Moffitt arrived in Seattle Wednesday night, he was arrested on a fugitive warrant, under the extradition treaty between this country and Great Britain.
The following telegram appears in the same issue:—
Seattle, Nov. 29.—R. P. Moffitt, alleged to have embezzled \$2075 from a dairy concern in Hongkong, China, was rumored to fail to jail in default of bonds. He is said to have been arrested in San Francisco on his arrival, but secured his liberty on a writ of habeas corpus. A telegram from the San Francisco police caused him to be re-arrested here.

The Currency Question.
The following letter has been sent to owners of local vessels by the Secretary of the Singapore Merchant Service Guild:—
I am instructed to inform you that at a Special General Meeting of the members of the Singapore Merchant Service Guild, held last night, it was decided to ask the various Owners, or Agents, of the local ships to grant the following rates of pay to the Mates and Second Mates employed by them: such pay to date from the first of next month:—First Mates £17-10-0 and Second Mates £13-0-0 per *mensure*, based on the current rates of exchange as posted daily in the Shipping Office on the date on which their salaries may be due. The Guild expresses their regret at the necessity forced on them for so doing, but the recent unforeseen and serious fall in the sterling value of the dollar must be held entirely responsible for the same. A small increment to the sterling value of this year's pay is asked for, to cover, in a measure, the loss sustained by exchange since last January. The Guild sincerely trust, on behalf of their members, that you will grant their request which they venture to think is reasonable, and hope to have a reply from you by the 20th inst.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

THE GOLD STANDARD.
By the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, December 25.

—It is to be hoped that the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce will members an opportunity to discuss desirability of a Gold Standard and of the currency of this Colony, which one of the most pressing needs of the mercantile community deriving their income from the East.

There is always a feeling of nervousness, even, to arise existing conditions, even the letter, The 'man in the street' is struggling commercially had little to look into a complex problem, and of abolishing gold standard, as it were, so financed institutions with whom he seeks his increment to safeguard his credit 'posterity.' But, be assured in time we would add all our nursing a disaster resulting proposals, and the loss of vast amounts some enormous profits due manipulation of exchange to force, such a status quo of present conditions might made with your credit and increase the shrinkage in the value of the white metal in the last two years, say at its highest point Nov. 1900, 22½ pence per ounce, to our price to-day, 22½¢ is about ten per cent.

Some persons who will argue it cannot lower, but there is not the remotest possibility of its going higher with our neighbours North, South, East and West jumping on a gold basis. Why not fix it? We can't run roads on a Gold basis being importers and not exporters. Hongkong produces nothing, and as far as the exporter is concerned he always buys on a gold basis on Gold terms. The article produced costs little more than £20 a ton beyond the natural increase of wages, etc., in the country, which is the bed-rock of prices. As things stand at present, the middleman, on the fall of exchange, puts up his prices, making the consumer pay more than the Hongkong Dollar in Gold, the producer would only then have to meet the export merchant on the supply and demand of the article to fix the price.

But how is all this to be done, you ask? Well, we are certain able financiers amongst us who would be only too willing to formulate a scheme, if unanimity amongst the Merchants of Hongkong can be secured. If a committee of representatives men, merchants, bankers, were convened to discuss and present a report and scheme to the members of the Chamber of Commerce in a mass meeting, soon enough to bring it in simultaneously with the results or, perhaps, to make them known, I am my firm belief that it will be to the best interests of this Crown Colony, as the benefits are immeasurable, viz., stability of labour, wages, living capital and income and an escape from the evils of commitments, an influx of outside capital, an easy money market, all helping to build up a healthy solid rock of commercial prosperity.—Yours,

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CHIVALRY AND THE CHINESE.
To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."
Hongkong, 22nd Dec., 1902.

DEAR SIR,—I have read with considerable interest the letters of your correspondents 'Historicus' and 'Templar' in your issues of the 16th and 17th inst. and cannot help thinking that both miss the kernel while railing at the husk.

We must build up our theories from bed rock. The subconscious minds of the Chinese have been affected for so many generations by custom and authority, that it is quite possible to apprehend their characteristics racially, and what would apply to one would apply to another in a large degree.

The writer having lived amongst the Chinese for the past 20 years feels himself competent to offer a few remarks concerning some of their characteristics; but, please understand, I do not propose going into the whole course of Chinese history to animadvert on a commonplace subject, as that would only confuse the matter under consideration.

Why, Sir, the same thing happens in the large European and American cities daily! The cry of 'stop thief' may, it is true, be heard occasionally, but it is generally lost in the hubbly of unkind words. The Chinese way and to their intellectual acumen let it be said that they understand us much better than we do them.—It is a postulate of Chinese custom—which some of us would do well to imitate—not to interfere with each other's doing, unless connected by relationship.

If one of the old woman's male connections had been present and witnessed the action, the thief would have been taken to task, and the Chinese would have the assistance of friends who would have saluted to the rescue; and the thief and his gang—with a fine few—would certainly be absent in order to pass the stolen articles from one to the other—would not have been allowed to interfere or even view vengeance. But for an outsider to be so rash as to interfere in a proceeding which does not concern his kith or kin, and thus reap the vengeance of a set of blackguards, is not the way for a Chinaman to behave. The gang would certainly 'mark' him and his whole family and annoy them in more ways than one. There are no secrets in China. Everybody knows everybody else's doings, peddlars would be the first to take notice of a man move and act cautiously. There is in the Chinese composition a considerable admixture of Custom and Conscience, and he is not slow to fall back on either as a substitute for the right mind. The fact that this average Chinese is guided by sentiment and propensity in a degree incomprehensible to more advanced peoples. He appears to our eyes a paragon being—a man of conscience. The fact that he is not so. His reason is not our reason. He deduces effects from causes which we ignore, and composes his mind by actions which we cannot comprehend. Amongst the lower classes, therefore, there is not the lower characteristics, indolence of body, stagnation of mind, superstition (which is not confined to China alone), moral deficiency and childlike positions.

The Chinese temperament has strong suggestions combined with what appears to be a weakness of the brain, and, when aroused, causes great excitability of the nervous system, which renders them liable to epidemics, miasma, which, at times, leads to epidemic malaria, and popular disturbances, break out in various parts of the Empire.

story. The Chinese will not go to law if they possibly avoid doing so, whether in Hongkong, China or elsewhere—which is, of opinion, one of their best traits. If anything transpires that requires litigation it is submitted to arbitrators, and, at best just, as fair, and with much less expense than Judge and jury.—Yours truly,
 ENTRE NOUS.

WHAT THE WAVES ARE SAYING.

Under the shadow of the Praya, the waves are gently playing. They have come a afar and their low, murmuring notes speak to me of things that are dear to the heart. Away in the sugar-cold west the fresh wind is whistling through the sighing branches of larch and oak. The Christmas fires are at, and the Christmas tales are told; the joy-bells ringing the merry peal, and the postmen speeding from house to house with the missives that will bring the glad news of pleasure to many a face. Here the Orient, where things are so different from what they are at home, the Christmas thoughts are half-pleasant and half-painful; they are smiling and sad. How does Ben Nevis look, and the lones that bites in the Highland or the fells of Benne? The turf will be ruddy in the brazier and Desmond, the Cheshire ales will be bubbling and the mill wheels will be turning. The lancers of Nottingham are playing the Yule games, and singing the sweet Yule songs. In the streets the Wapples are singing the *Advent* *Wapples*; in the churches the *Gloria in Excelsis* is chanted. The wishing-bone is broken, the children's treasuries are emptied of their dainty treasures, Santa Claus has made his mysterious visits, and the mistletoe pledge has been taken. Who has got the ring? This will be a merry day at Richmond and quaint Eel Pie Island. The 'glass house' will be full—no, too, I fear a few of its guests; *Aladdin*, *Cinderella*, and *The Forty Thieves*, and their cousins, *Dick Whittington* will be at the Theatres. Of all these things the waves are talking to me, and I wish I could be with them—*Dick and the Thieves*, not the waves, of course. But vain regrets are purposeless, and there is much that is entertaining in the Yule Tide in Hongkong. It is a Western dition on an Eastern place. U Fa's town-ton is as discordant as the sing-song of the street-crying nuisance; but in the eye, of my fancy they are the 'Waits.' The ice and snow are missing, but I never liked the cold blasts, and I do not regret the treacherous footstep.

SIAM'S GOLD STANDARD.

The Government and the Banks.

The battle of the standard may be said to be ended, says the *Bangkok Times* of the 11th inst. The decision of the Government to sell the tical at the rate of 20 to the pound sterling has been acquiesced in. "That is the all-important fact that results from the dispute that has been going on since the 26th of last month, when the announcement was made that the Mint had been closed to the free coinage of silver. It was perhaps to enquire too curiously to enter into any discussion about which side the victory lies on. No one has been able seriously to object to the adoption of the gold standard; the only question at issue was with regard to the temporary dislocation of trade, and the loss on existing contracts. Naturally there have been mutual concessions. To make the change as easy for all parties as possible, the Government very promptly decided to give 20 ticals, instead of 17, to the pound sterling. That was a very notable concession. On the other hand the Government has firmly refused to recognise that anyone can claim compensation. The Banks, naturally, perhaps, do not appear to give any weight to this question, but that they have adopted a reasonable attitude is evident from this statement by Mr. Frizell, 'The Government has conceded something to the Banks, and I think the Bankers must be prepared to follow on the same lines.' That is a sensible attitude to take. But whatever the exact details of the settlement between the Government and the Banks may be, the point that concerns the whole community is that a settlement has been arrived at, the Banks falling in with the Government scheme. The tical is now on a gold basis. The next important question is how soon export trade will be able to adjust itself to the altered conditions. There is no doubt a certain amount of loss to fall on exporters in connection with existing contracts, but for the future the export trade will not suffer from the fact that the tical has a more steady value. The change will, of course, be the salvation of the import trade which had of late become a very hopeless speculation. Bank exchange rates have ceased to be nominal, and business can now go on again as before. Siam is certainly to be congratulated on the step she took on the 26th of last month, and on the satisfactory settlement of the dispute that followed. If by any means the dollar rises above 1s. 8d., the tical will appreciate in the same ratio as before, but will only go up and will not be affected by any subsequent fall in the value of the dollar.

Engineers' Wages at Singapore.

A General meeting of the Engineers' Association was held at Singapore on the 26th inst. A letter regarding the wage question was received from the owners, and it is hoped that shortly a favourable result will follow on the recent action of the engineers in connection with increased pay.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
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VIA PORTS.S.S. *Adria*, Capt. SCHAEFERMIDT, 28th December, at 5 p.m., 1902 Freight.

FOR GENOA AND HAMBURG.

S.S. *Strasbourg*, Capt. MADSEN, 30th December, 1902 Freight and Passengers.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

S.S. *Hamburg*, Capt. JASPER, 13th January, 1903 Freight.

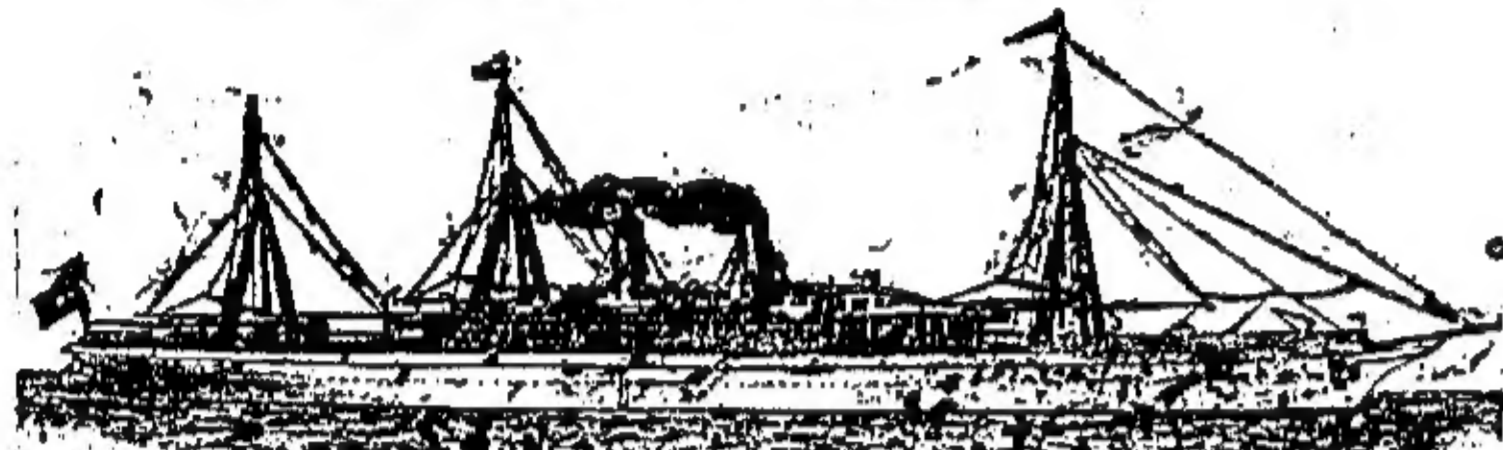
FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

S.S. *Sardin*, Capt. BAHLE, 27th January, 1903 Freight and Passengers.

For further particulars, apply to

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R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF INDIA</i>	6000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 11, 1903
R.M.S. <i>TARTAR</i>	4425 Tons	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 25, 1903
R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF JAPAN</i>	6000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, Mar. 11, 1903
R.M.S. <i>ATHENIAN</i>	3882 Tons	WEDNESDAY, Mar. 18, 1903
R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF CHINA</i>	6000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, Apr. 1, 1903
R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF INDIA</i>	6000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, Apr. 22, 1903
R.M.S. <i>TARTAR</i>	4425 Tons	WEDNESDAY, May 6, 1903
R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF JAPAN</i>	6000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, May 13, 1903
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D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
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Hongkong, December 17, 1902.

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Callings from Hongkong, via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOBI, KORE & YOKOHAMA; FOR PORTLAND, OREGON.

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STEAMSHIP.	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	HONGKONG.
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Hongkong, 20th December, 1902.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
SADO MARU, S. J. G. PARSONS,	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP. Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 27th Dec., Daylight.
YAWATA MARU, A. K. MOERZ,	NAGASAKI, KORE AND YOKOHAMA.	SATURDAY, 27th Dec., at Noon.
SHINANO MARU, W. THOMPSON,	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A. Via SHANGHAI, MOBI, KORE AND YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 30th Dec., at 4 p.m.
KUMANO MARU, E. W. HASZELL,	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE. Via MANILA THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE.	THURSDAY, 1st Jan., at 4 p.m.
ANUKI MARU, W. THOMPSON,	KORE AND YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 2nd Jan., at Daylight.
DOMBAY MARU,	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	FRIDAY, 2nd Jan., at Noon.
KAWACHI MARU, J. S. THOMPSON,	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP. Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 10th Jan., at Daylight.

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A. S. Mihara, Manager.

Hongkong, December 23, 1902.

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OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TELMACHUS	31st December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PROMETHEUS	8th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PERMUS	14th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DIOMEDES	28th January.

FOR	HOMEWARDS.	TO SAIL.
LONDON	PERMUS	8th January.
LONDON	ANTENOR	24th January.
LONDON	TELMACHUS	3rd February.
LONDON	PROMETHEUS	17th February.
LIVERPOOL	TYDORUS	20th January.
LIVERPOOL	DARFANA	24th February.

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HONGKONG, December 23, 1902. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PAULING	22nd January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	CHINGWU	3rd February.

FOR	HOMEWARDS.	TO SAIL.
MARSEILLES, AMSTERDAM, AND ANTWERP	OSPAK	16th January.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL.
VANCOUVER, and all PACIFIC COAST POINTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KORE AND YOKOHAMA	Ningchow	25th December.

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Hongkong, December 26, 1902.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL.
SHANGHAI	KANNU	27th December.
NINGPO AND SHANGHAI	KALGAN	29th December.

PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY 18. LAND, COORNTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these Steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

§ See Special Advertisement.

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Hongkong, December 26, 1902.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY, 31st Dec., 1902.
FRINZES IRENE	WEDNESDAY, 21st Jan., 1903.
WERNSTADT	WEDNESDAY, 4th Feb., 1903.
STUTTGART	WEDNESDAY, 18th Feb., 1903.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 4th March, 1903.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1903.
FRINZ LEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1903.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 18th April, 1903.

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie. † Calling at Amsterdam.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of January, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship KONIG ALBERT, of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Captain C. POLACK, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on Monday, the 8th January, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, the 9th Jan., and Freight will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on Tuesday, the 9th Jan. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardsess. Linen can be washed on board.

Norddeutscher Lloyd.

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Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	1902.
TREMONT	9606	T. W. Garlick	Dec. 30.
VICTORIA	3502	J. Pantan	Jan. 3.
OLYMPIA	2837	J. Truebridge	Jan. 17.
PLEIADES	3753	F. G. Parington	Jan. 24.

Steamers marked (*) have no passenger accommodation.

THE attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line TO THE PACIFIC COAST and TO THE INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and TO EUROPE.

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For further information as to Freight, or Passage, Apply to

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Hongkong, December 24, 1902.

Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE named—

FOR	STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	DATE.
YMA VIA SHAL	MOJI AND KOBE	R. A. PETERS	About 30th Dec.
MOJI AND KOBE	YMA	G. R. LONGER, R.N.	About 31st Dec.
SHANGHAI	CHANG	C. L. DANIEL	2nd January.
LONDON, &c.	Valeria	W. B. PALMER, R.N.	Noon, 3rd Jan.

LONDON VIA PORTS: PANG, CUBO, PORT SAID & MARSEILLES. Bombay: H. S. BRADSHAW, Noon, 7th Jan.

PASSENGER SEASON, 1903.

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* For Freight only.

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E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, December 24, 1902.

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Steamship.

Tons.

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Hongkong, December 26, 1902.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR

STEAMERS

LEAVING

TAMUJI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY, DAIGI MARU, SUNDAY, 28th Dec., 1902.

FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY, ANPING MARU, WEDNESDAY, 31st Dec., 1902.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified Doctor is carried.

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Superior accommodation amidships—Electric Light throughout—Fitted with Refrigerators which ensure a fresh supply of ice and provisions during the entire voyage—Duly qualified European Surgeons carried.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

Hongkong, December 6, 1902.

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REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG AND MANILA IN 48 HOURS.

THE Company's well-known Steamship ROHILLA MARU, 3869 Tons, Captain E. P. BISHOP, will be despatched for MANILA on TUESDAY, the 30th December, at Noon. To be followed by Rosetta Maru on or about 6th January.

Magnificent Accommodation. Comfortable Cabins. Excellent Table. Unrivalled Speed. Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardsess carried.

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Prince's Buildings, Ice House Street, Hongkong, December 24, 1902.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

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Hongkong, December 23, 1902.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship YUENSANG, Captain P. H. ROSE, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 27th Inst., at 4 p.m.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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Hongkong, December 23, 1902.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

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Hongkong, December 24, 1902.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO VIA SANTA ROSALIA (MEXICO).

THE Steamship THETIS, Captain CAREY, will be despatched for the above port on or about the 28th December.

For Freight &c., apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, December 17, 1902.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship CATHARINE APGAR, Captain S. H. BURNER, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 30th December, at 3 p.m.

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